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GDR PUBLICATIONS (489 pp; German; [redacted])

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This document comprises the following GDR publications:

- 1) Die Nahrungs- und Genussmittelindustrie (The Food and Beverage Industry), No 9 of ~~the~~ Schriftenreihe der Fuenfjahrplan (Five-Year Plan Series) published by Verlag Die Wirtschaft (The Economy, Publishers) Berlin. The 94-page brochure, which represents the joint effort of the State Secretariat for the Food Industry and of the IG (Community of Interests) for Food, Beverages, and Restaurants contains information on the development of the food industry between 1945 and 1950, the aims and responsibilities of the industry under the Five-Year Plan, and on trade union activities within the industry. The booklet is illustrated with photographs of industrial plants and equipment, and with pictorial graphs.
- 2) A 219-page publication, No 4 of Schriftenreihe der Deutschen Demokratischen Republik Series of GDR Publications), Berlin, published under the auspices of the GDR Office of Information, entitled Staatliche Kontrolle und Volkskontrolle helfen den Fuenfjahrplan (State Control and People's Control Help to Fulfil the Five-Year Plan), and sub-titled "A Report on The Fourth Business Meeting of the Central Commission for State Control, etc. The brochure contains the text of an address of welcome by the Chairman of the Thuringen Commission for State Control, a speech by Fritz Lange, chairman of the Central Commission for State Control, on the Missions of the State Control and the People's Control in the Safeguarding of the Five-Year Plan, excerpts from speeches by other officials, a resolution concerning the functions of the Central Commission for State Control and its organs, and of the People's Control Commissions, in the struggle for the security and protection of the 5-Year Plan, the Law Governing the 1951 Economic Plan, and the Law for the Defense of Peace.
- 3) A 113-page publication, No 7 of the above mentioned Schriftenreihe (series), entitled Rechenschaftsbericht (Report) 1950/51, [redacted] published 3-5 June 1951. It is a compilation of reports by the Ministries for Heavy Industry, Reconstruction, Trade and Supply, Light Industry, Finance, Justice, Labor, Machine Building, Public Health, Education, Domestic & Foreign Trade, and of the State Secretariats for Food, and for Vocational Training. The various reports contain figures and statistics on planned and actual achievements and considerable detail on the areas dealt with.
- 4) Schriftenreihe Deutsche Finanz (GDR Finance Series), No 16, a 31-page periodical published by Verlag Die Wirtschaft (The Economy), Berlin. The booklet is titled Die Stellung der Gemeinden u. Kreise im Finanzausgleich (The Position of the Communities and Kreise With Regard To Financial Equalization), an evaluation submitted to the GDR Finance Ministry by the Institute for Finance of the Economic Department of Humboldt University. It has a foreword, dated 24 Feb 1951, by Willi Georgino, State Secretary in the Finance Ministry, and deals with the principles & methods of financial equalization and with the finance system currently in effect.
- 5) Demokratischer Aufbau (Democratic Reconstruction), No 1, January 1952, a 32-page periodical published by Verlag Die Wirtschaft (The Economy), Berlin. This issue deals with planned and actual reconstruction in the GDR and in Bulgaria. The periodical is heavily spiced with propaganda.

Copies of publications referred to under 4) and 5) have been received in FDD on regular subscription and are currently being exploited.

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